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AND WHILITEDS.

STATE HOSPITAL NO. 4.

At a mass meeting of the business men and estizens of our town at the Court House hast Monday evening, it was decided to appoint an executive committee of eleven to look after and arge the neces sary appropriation by the Legislature for Asylum. No. 4 to carry or the work to more perfect comple tion. While this institution will for the reception of patients, there are still several necessary buildings to be erected, among them, the administration building, which will cost about \$40,000, a hospital accordance with the original design, and cold storage, to say nothing of duplicate or reserve machinery in the power house, etc. These things are all absolutely necessary, and the lowest estimate made for them is about

But why should it be necessary to have an executive committee to urge this appropriation, and why should this responsibility be placed upon our people? We don't know and it ought not be so, but it appears that this has been the expe rience of every town in the State where a public institution has been established. Asylum No. 4 The Allies Suggest that the Presi is not a local but a State institution, and it is a duty of the Legislature to see that it is properly looked after and that the necessary appropriations for its completion and maintenance are made. There President Roosevelt bimself arbitrate is no economy in niggardliness and Missonri is amply able to take care of her eleemosynary institutions in a liberal manner

Considerable fault-finding and criticism have been indulged in because the work on the asylum at rapidly, but there has been little reasonable ground for such complaints as have been made. Only passed since the work of construction was begun, and only about \$290,000 appropriated for building, maintenance, etc. When the character of the work that has been done is taken into consideration, this is really a good showing. for the asylum will be open to patients on and after the 1st day of January, we are informed When the asylum at Nevada, Mo. was built, it took four years and an expenditure of \$400,000 or more, we believe, to get that institution ready to receive patients. Surely the comparison is in favor of the one at this place in point of both expedition and the amount of money required.

We hope, therefore, that those Southeast newspapers which have been disposed to criticise and find DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. fault with what they have been led to believe was unnecessary delay and mismanagement on the part of those in charge of this institution, may see that matters are not as bad as they have been represented, and that they will unite with us in urging the The provision for including the bu-Legislature to make a liberal appropriation to complete without delay Asylunt No. 4. All of Southeast Missouri should feel vitally interested in this matter.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

To Look After and Urge Necessary Appropriation for State Hospital No 4.

Chairman J. S. Clay of the citizen mess meeting held last Mon-day night, in obedience to a motion adopted, has appointed the following named gentlemen as an executive committee to look after

Immediately relieves hourse, croupy cough, oppressed, rasping and difficult breathing. Henry C. Stearne, Drug-gist, Shullaburg, Wisconsin, writes, May 29, 1901: "I have been selling May 20, 1901: "I have been selling Ballard's Horebound Speep for two years, and have sever had a preputation that gives better astisfaction. I notice that when I sell a totile, they come seek for more. I can honestly recommend it. 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 at City

Farmington Times BLOCKADE PROCLAIMED

Official Proclamation of the Blockade of Venezuelan Ports Gazetted in London.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROCLAMATION.

The Allied Powers Pay a Compliment to President Roosevelt by Suggesting that He Assume the Pending Issues.

London, Dec. 21.-The official proclamation of the blockade of Venezuelan ports was guzetted Saturday moruing and becomes affective immediate-

The text of the proclamation is as

Foreign Office, Dec. 20, 1902 .- It is hereby notified that as the United States of Venezuela have failed to omply with the demands of his majesty's government, a blockide by his majesty's naval forces of the ports of La Gunyra, Carencro, Guanta, Cumuns and Carapano and the mouths of the Orinoco is declared and such blockade wid be effectively maintained from and after the 20th of Deember, subject to the allowance of the following days of grace:

"For vessels sailing before the date of this notification from West Indian ports and ports on the east coast of the continent of America-ten days pletion of the disturbed ward it for steamers and twenty days for sali-

> "From all other ports twenty days for steamers and forty days for sail-

> "For vessels lying in the ports now declared to be blockaded-fifteen

> "Vessels which attempt the black ade will render themselves liable to all measures authorized by the law of untions and by the respective treaties between his unjusty and the different neutral powers."

The German government also pubished a decree embodying the conditions of she blockade of Germany's portion of the Venezuelan coust.

COMPLIMENT TO ROOSEVELT.

dent Act as Arbitrator. Washington, Dec. 21.-President sonevelt has proposed to the allied assimitted to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal. The powers have eplied with a counter proposal that

ROOSEVELT PAYORED.

London Newspapers Want the Pres ident to Be the Arbitrator. London, Dec. 22.-Provided the juarantee question can be satisfacorily solved, the London newspapers agree this morning in desiring Presithis place has not progressed more Sent Roosevelt to accept the office of ter is referred to The Hague Venezueto probably will ignore the award At the same time the president's reuctance to accept the office is perfeetly understood and his motives are respected. It is recognized that he would have a very difficult task, bemuse, it is said among other things, eramble of the different nations hav ing claims against Venezuela to be heard. The hope is generally expressed that a pacific settlement will reached, thus avoiding the necesity of sending to Venezuelan waters the large fleet which could alone ren-

THE WATTS KIDNAPING CASE.

der the blockade really effective.

Jury Discharged After Taking Twenty Sallets and Seing Unable to Agree On a Verdiet.

Springfield, III., Dec. 20.-After deliberation of 65 hours, the jury in the case against John Watts, charged with kidnaping his child, was discharged by Judge Shirley in the Sangamon circuit court. Friday. The jury took 20 ballots, the final one standing eight for acquittal and four

The Bill Por the Crention of the New Cabinet Pertfelie to Be Reported Favorably.

Washington, Dec. 20,-The house mmittee on interstate commerce ordered a favorable report on the department of commerce bill. The vote on reporting it stood five to three. renu of labor in the new department was retained on a tie vote,

The Work of Dynamiters. Dee Moines, In., Dec. 21 .- At Valley function, a suburb, early Saturday morning, burglars dynamited the safe in Miller's drug store, securing \$3,000 in money and checks. Persons living above the store were not awakened

St. Louisan Shoots Himself.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 21.—Fred Gaus, of St. Louis, shot himself in the head, Friday afternoon, while alone in his room at Rufers' hotel, inflicting a sculp wound which is not regarded community serious

Shift Boss E. A. Clore of the Central Mines was seriously wounded in a fight with S. S. and urge the necessary apropria Putnam at the Central mill last tion by the Legislature to complete Saturday night. Some time ago the work at the State Hospital for Clore saw fit to discharge Putnam the work at the State Hospilal for Insane at this place: Mayor Geo.

M. Wilson, J. E. Cover, W. L. Hensley, E. A. Rozier, W. M. Harian, Sam Perringer, John A. Sprott, P. S. Cole, W. B. Lang, Jos. C. Williams and David Reese.

Jos. C. Williams and David Reese.

Steve Clark, who was to have been hang at Popiar Huff on the 18th, in been granted a respite until Junior 16. Clark was balatized by a Catholic priest on the 18th.

FIFTY-BEVENTH CONGRESS.

MARSHES OF THE KANKAKEE.

Waterway to Be Cut Which Will Berlaim Hundreds of Thousands of Acres of Land.

Crown Point, Ind., Dec. 19.-Prelin inary steps are under way in the northwestern counties of Indiana, inluding La Porte, Starke, Porter inte and Jasper, to erect what will probably be the largest artificial waerway of its kind east of the Misdissippi river. When completed it will reclaim hundreds of thousands of acres of Kaukukee mursh lands which are now regarded as worthless.

first 14 miles in La Porte and Starke ounties for \$120,000. The ditch will so feet wide and 16 feet deep. It in the plan of the other counties to matinue the great ditch to the Illi ois line, a distance of 60 miles. The total cost will be about a million

The project has been taken up by the owners of large ranches along the Enkukee. The payment is to be made by assessments on benefits de-rived from the ditch.

DESTROYED BY EARTHQUAKE The Town of Andijan, Ressias Turkestan Totally Destroyed.

by on Earthquake Ashkalad, Russian Turkestan, ucasiay, Dec. 16. The town of Andi-

in, Ferghaun government, was totaly destroyed by an earthquake to-day. The number of fatalities is not yet as extained. The population is threat ened with starration. Shocks were felt in New Marghelan and surrounding vittages, and a railway at Andijan zner. Food and clothing are being ent to Andijas.

trul Asia, 73 miles from Khokead, It

SUSPECTED BANK ROBBERS

Three Men Thought to be Concerne in Several Illinois Bank Rob-

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 18.-Three of the men thought to be concerned in the bank robbery at Clarence, as well as those of other justitutions of the same kind in central Illinois. were arrested. Wednesday, at Gibson City by the town marshal and deputies there. A large sum of money was found in their possession, and the shoes worn correspond with the size of the tracks made in the snov around the bank

HAS A ROYAL GODMOTHER. Queen Alexandra Stands Spons for the Infant Lord Mandville, Reir to Manchester Dukedom.

London, Dec. 18.-Queen Alexandra on Wednesday, acted as godinother at the christening of Lord Mandeville, the heir of the duke and duchess of Manchester, in the chapel royal, St. James' pulace. Her majesty signed the register with the duke and duchess of Manchester, the marquis de Soverul, the Portuguesc minister, Count Von Mensdorff, secretary of the Austrian-Hungarian embassy, Earl De Gray, Lady Lister-Kaye and others. The queen's present to her godehild was a slaver bowl and spaon, inscribed: "To Alexander George, Vis-count Mandeville, from Alexandra, Regina, December 17, 1902."

Candidate for Re-Electi Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 21.—Gov. Beck ham has issued an address formally announcing his candidacy for the Gemocratic nomination for re-election for a full term of four venrs.

Southeast News.

At Poplar Bluff last week Elizabe

estence at Fredericktown, tried to

Henry Abbey, who is serving a jet

Doulphus had a hig fire on the 11th, e hardware and furniture store of right Brothers being destroyed.

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era! Merchandise that

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The Remains of Mrs. U. S. Grant Laid in the Sarcophagus Be-

side Those of Her Husband. CEREMONIES WERE BBIEF AND SIMPLE.

Episcopat Church and Rt. Rev. Alex-auder Mackay E. Smith, of the Proces-Evans, County Coroner, \$1,000.

Mrs. U. S. Grant was on Saturday ble, \$1,000; James L. Turner, placed to the great red granite sur- Constable, \$1,000; B. P. Sebasphagus beside that in which the co- tian, Constable, \$500. mains of her bushand remy in the tomb overlooking the Hudson river. On the arrival of the funeral train the committee of the Grant Manuplaced on a bier on the forward deck | State Auditor for payment. of the Meigs, which started immedi-The members of the funeral Avenue hotel. On reaching the land-



THE GRANT TOMB AT RIVERSIDE. the route being tined by double rank of police. The body was placed in the sercophagus without any eeremony in the presence of U. S. Grant, Je the members of the excort and a little group of officials, and the massive lid, which weighs about five tons, was quickly lowered and scaled in place.

SUNDAY AT THE TOMB.

services Were Brief and Simple Distinguished People Present. New York, Dec. 28 .- In the mails eum on Riverside drive brief and simple services were conducted, Sunday, over the remains of Mrs. Ulyme S. Grant. In addition to the members of the Grant family there were present, among the 500 persons to whom invitations had been sent, Gov. Odell, Mayor Low, Secretary of War Root, Rear-Admiral Barker and staff.



Gen. James Grant Wilson, Gen. Gran-ville Dodge, Gen. Heratio C. King, Gen. Charles F. Roe, N. Y. N. G., and staff; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carpegle. and many federal and municipal offi-cials and officers of the army and cials and officers of the army and may stationed in the city.

Gen. Frederick D. Grant and the other members of the family occupied seats overlooking the crypt. The services, conducted by Rishop E. G. Andrews, of the Methodiat Episcopal church, and Rt. Rev. Alexander Machany E. Smith. Protestant Eoiscopal lishop condition, of Pennsylvania, opened with the hymn "Lead, Kindly Light," after which the burial services of the Methodiat Episcopal and the Protestant Episcopal churches were read. The services were closed with the reading of a poem, "The

CLAR, BOOK & FLAGE

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The County Court met Monday, Dec. 15th, in regular term, Justices Swink, Wood and Saffell being present, as were also Clerk Stam and Sheriff Highley. The following business was transacted:

BONDS OF COUNTY OFFICEPA. The following bonds of the newly elected county officers were ap-proved: S. J. Hensley County Treasurer, \$45,000; J. A. Law-Evans, County Coroner, \$1,000; G. O. Nations, Probate Judge, New York, Dec. = The body of \$1,000; Frank Smead, Constable, \$1,000; Geo. M. Fraser, Consta-

It was ordered that the State from Washington at Jersey Cit; the Auditor draw his warrant in favor casket, piled high with flowers, was of Richard Moore, Treasurer of borne on the shoulders of six men St. François county, for the amount on board the quartermaster's depart- of Road and Canal Fund appor ment steamer Gen. Meigs, a detach- tioned to said county by the State ment of C. S. Grant post, G. A. R. and Auditor and Treasurer in 1902.

The fee bill of Thos. H. Stam, ment association, which accompanied County Clerk, against State of the funeral party from Washington. Missouri, for \$549.72, was apacting as an escort. The body was proved and ordered certified to the

Sheriff J. D. Highley reported ately up the river, bound for the the sale of 14 sections of school iand in Sec. 16, Twp. 34, R. 8, party proceeded direct to the Fifth which was approved and ordered certified to Secretary of State for patent.

Permission was granted to Jos Hocken, Steward of Asylum No. 4, to make improvements Sels- Erickson Again Arrested For stong gravel road to front of Asy-

The Following dramshop license were issued: Gentry T. Horn, Farmington: John Williams, Elvins; Louis Wilkson, Bonne Terre. as Superintendent of the County

Farm for nine months. The box of Wm. Allcorn was approved. County School Fund Richard Moore, County Trens-

arer, made settlement, which was approved. Quarterly settlement of Geo. M Fraser, Constable, approved.

WARRANTS BRIDED

m Dyngton, read supervisor \$ 31. Wolf Creek bridge R. A. Murphy, superlatending road. scorpe W. Halter, riprap.. tolin A. Marks, stprap and scravel. J. B. and G. Y. Counts, gravel.
A. Moore and E. E. Hawn, riprap...

J. B. Highley, gravel. L. E. hwink, supervising and grad John Rickus, cleering ground for on. M. Fruser, election services. H. H. Meloy, guarding instance person Farmington Mercantile Co., Jall

clothing, etc. Henry Hinks, collins. for. is. J. Robinson, professional services to prisoners.... D. T. Horn, ettending to imane per-Left wiffin, rodd supervisor.
F. P. and B. C. Best, riprup and

J.C. Williams, office expense Thos. H. Stam, stationery, etc. George Pratte, rand supervisor ... P. E. Hawn and A. Moore, riprap rir Clay, sawing wood farrir Clay, aswing wood.

Solin Wilkens, gravel and riprap.

S. A. Bylagton, conveyance.

John Wilkens, riprap and gravel...

F. F. Wiste, kridge lumber...

The Murphy wealing wood...

B. J. Doughly, glass and repairs.

G. W. Forder, put claim deed to right-of-way to Farmington and Roome Term was.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF CUBA.

tich Minister at Havana Makes

Washington, Dec. 20.-A striking stare of the development of Cuba duce the Spanjsh war is presented in a report to his home government by Jonel Carden, the British minister at Havana, a copy of which has just

"It is highly antisfactory to note the remarkable progress the island has made in the past three years, in spite of the deplorable condition is which it was left at the end of the war. The production of sugar has risen from 215,000 tons in 1899 to over 900,000 tons in 1991, and probably with reach 1,000,000 tons in this year's The cultivation and manufac ture of tobacco, as well as the mino industries, show considerable im island, thanks to large importations, is now probably upwards of 750,000, is compared with fess than 200,000 at the beginning of 1899; and finally, the value of the exports bas increased from £9,250,000 to £12,650,000, and would have reached much fligher figeres but for the fall in price of sugar.

"Considering how little financial assistance the Culums have received from abroad, it speaks very highly their energy and industry that they should have achieved so much in so short a time, and with so limted resources at their o affords strong ground for believing that the work of developing the latand's industries onew, commenced under such difficulties, will be perse

treating of the details of each branch of commerce he points out to his ountrymen the ever-growing compe tition of the United States. port is full of advice to English traders as to the best means of meetny this competition and of holding taken rapidly from them by the United States.

HOMPCIDE IN ST. LOUIS.

Phompson Mortor Stabs John W Barriger, Jr., to Beath and then Attempts Spiride by Poison.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.-John W. Barriger, Jr., office cugineer of the St. Louis, Memphis & Sectionsiern finiway Co., at Cinraville, Mo., with headdeath, Friday morning, by Thompson Morton, an unemployed civil engineer, in the corridor on the fifth floof the Granite building, southwest orner of Fourth and Market streets Morton, shortly after his zcrest, was found to be suffering from his was taken to the city dispensary for treatment. His recovery is a matter

The fact that Morton took polso before he was searched at the Chestnut street police station, and that he was captured in the corridor imme distely after the killing, indicate that be went to the scene of the assault with the poison upon his person, to use in committing suicide.

Morton has refused to name any notive for the killing of Barriger. FOR HIS FATHER'S MURDER.

the Murdey of his Father

at Norway, Mich. Erickson has again been arrested, charged with the murder of his fa-Wm. Alleorn was re-appointed from his home at Norway last May. The body was found in November in the head showed how death resulted. Nels Erickson was arrested Satisfaction was ordered entered at the time, but was later discharged on the bond of Seward Burke to A shotgun found near the body sepposed at the time to belong to the dead man's son, has been fully identi-fied and led to the arrest. Erickson had \$1,600 when he disappeared, but

money was found. HAYTI'S NEW PRESIDENT. Gen. Nord Proclaimed President By

the Haytlan Army and Takes Possession of the Palace. Port-au-Prince, Havti, Dec. 19 .- Gen. Nord having been proclaimed president of Hayti by the army, took pos-

day morning.

Balley Will Not Marry. Topeka, Kas., Dec. D.-Gov.-elect Bailey tells the twelve hundred women in the United States and Canada who have expressed a desire to marry tie.at him, that he is not in the market, and that he will enter the executive man, sien a bachelor, and that his secret tary and family will occupy the man tary and family will occupy the man with him.

> TWO PAPAL APPOINTMENTS. The Bulls Signed Pilling the Archbishoprie of Chicago and the Bishoprie of Pittsburg.

Rome, Dec. 21.-The pope, Saturday. 284.00 signed the appointments of Hishop 114.73 James E Quigley, of Buffulo, N. Y. 20.05 as archbishop of Chicago, and Rev. 20.75 J. F. Begis Canevin, rector of St. Paul's cathedral of Pittsburg, Pa., a condjutor-hishop of Pittsburg.

> Mosange from the Cable Ship. San Francisco, Dec. 22 .- The fo lowing message was received Sunday at noon from the cableship Silver town, now laying the Pacific cable be-tween this city and Bonolulu: "Lati-tude 28.44 north, longitude 142.2" west. Total cable paid out 1,363 knots. Wenther fine."

Little Clarence Miles, beloved sor of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Zimmer, born March 26, 1898, departed this life Nov. 25, 1902, aged four years, seven months and twenty-nine days. The Notice.

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